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A CATECHISME
for yong Children.

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To be learned in all Families and
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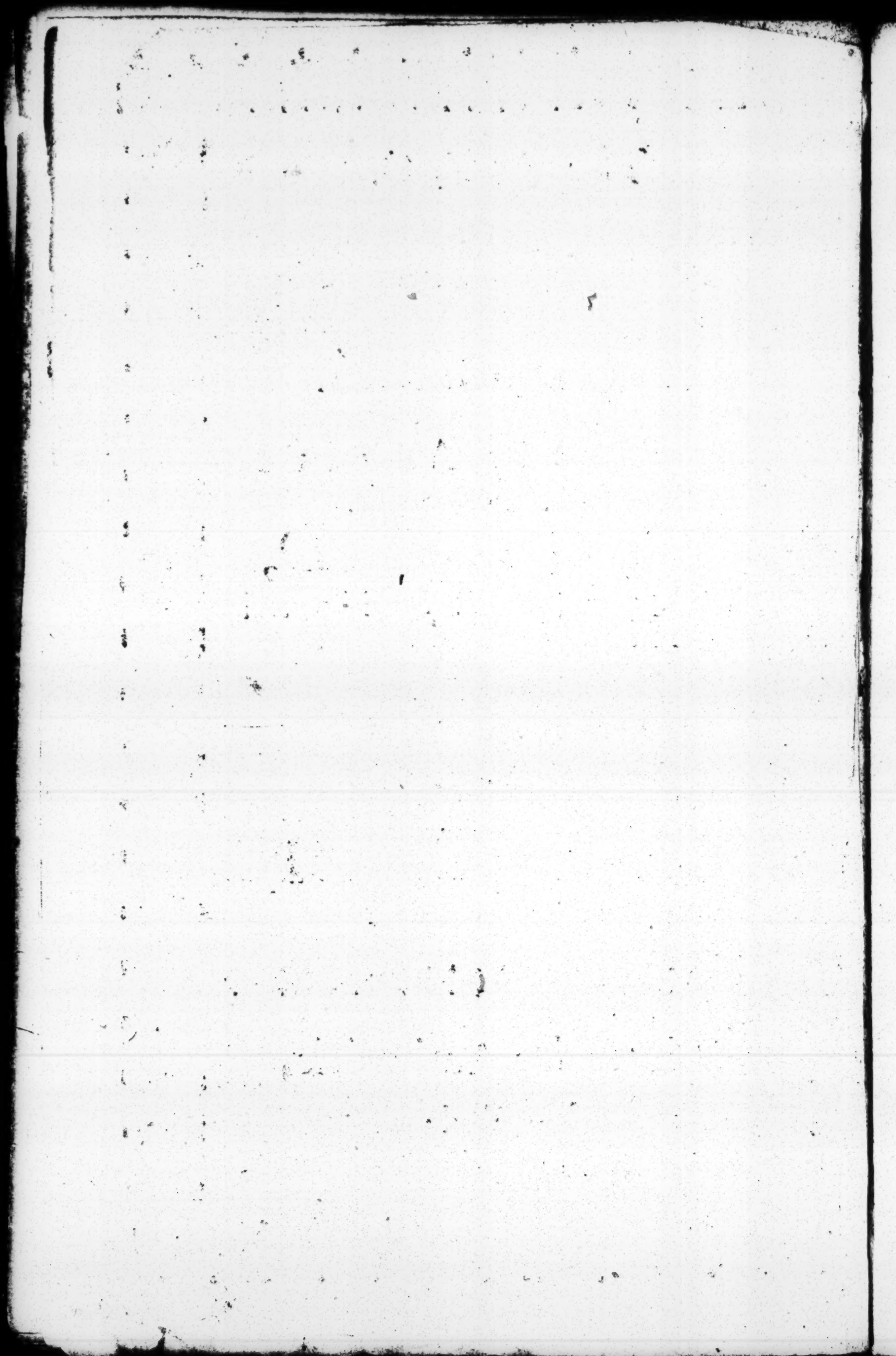
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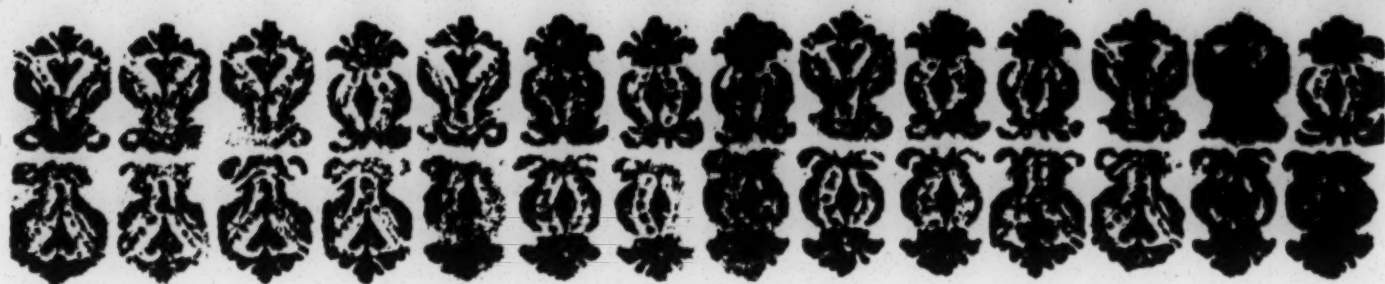
*Traine up a child in the way he should goe:
and when he is old, he will not depart
from it.*

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1 Qu. **W** Ho made man?

A. God.

2 Qu. In what estate made he him?

A. Perfectly holy in body and soule.

3 Qu. How fell he from the good estate?

A. By breaking of the Commandement of God.

4 Qu. What punishment followed thair upon?

A. Death and condemnatione to him and his posteritie.

5 Qu. How are we deliuerid thair frae?

A. By Gods free mercy in Iesus Christ.

6 Qu. What kind of person is Iesus Christ?

A. He is very God and very Man in one person.

7 Qu. Why call ye him verie God?

A. Because he is the eternall Son of God, of one and the selfe same Godhead with the Father and holy Ghost.

8 Qu. Why call ye him verie man?

A. Because hee is like us in all things, sinne onely except.

9 Qu. Why was he without sinne?

A. That hee might bee ane unspotted sacrifice for sinne.

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10 Qu. What hes he done for ws ?

A. He dyed for our finnes, and rose for our righteousnesse.

11 Qu. Ar all men that perished in Adam saued by Christ ?

A. No, but onely those that hath true faith in him.

12 Qu. What call ye true Faith ?

A. It is the true knowledge of Jesus Christ, with assurance of saluatione in him.

13 Qu. Rehearse the Articles of your Faith.

A. **I** beleue in God the Father Almighty,
Maker of Heauen and Earth.

2 And in Jesus Christ his onely Son our Lord.

3 Who was conceived of the Holie Ghost :
borne of the Virgin Marie :

4 Suffered vnder Pontius Pilate, was crucified,
dead, and buried, he descended into hell :

5 The third day he rose againe from death.

6 Hee ascended into heauen, and sitteth at the
right hand of God the Father Almighty :

7 Frome that place shall hee come to iudge the
quick and the dead.

8 I beleue in the Holy Ghost.

9 The holy Church vniuersall.

10 The communion of Saints,

11 The forgiveness of finnes,

12 The resurrection of the body, and lyfe euer
lasting.

14 Qu. Be

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14 Qu. Be what meanes doth Gods Spirit worke this faith in yow ?

A. By the word of God.

15 Qu. What call ye the word of God ?

A. The holy Scripture of the old and new Testament.

16 Qu. Be what meanes doth Gods Spirit confirme this faith in yow ?

A. By the same word, & by the Sacraments.

17 Qu. What call ye the Sacraments ?

A. They ar visible signes and seales ordained of God for the confirmatione of my faith.

18 Qu. How doe they confirme your faith ?

A. By receiuing thame as pledgis, that Christ crucified (represented and offered in thame) is given to me in particular to be my Saviour.

19 Qu. How many Sacraments is thair ?

A. Two, Baptisme, and the Lords Supper.

20 Qu. Why wes ye baptized being ane Infant ?

A. That thereby I might be ingraft in Christ, and enterit in his Church, which is his mysticall body.

21 Qu. What profit have ye by Baptisme now ?

A. It seales vp the remission of my sinnes in Christs blood ; and aduances the renovation of my heart in his Spirit : which ar my spirituall watching.

22 Qu. What call ye the Lords Supper ?

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A. It is the Sacrament of my spiritual nourishment on the body and blood of Christ.

23 Qu. How doe ye eat his body and drink his blood?

A. By believing assuredly that his body was broken and his blood was shed for me.

24 Qu. What thankfulnessse owe ye to God for giving his Son to shed his blood for you?

A. I ought to denie my selfe, and walk in his Commandements all the dayes of my life.

25 Qu. Rehearse the Commandements.

A. **H**earken and take heed Israel, for I am the Lord thy God who have brought thee out of the land of Egypt, and out of the house of bondage:

1. Thou shalt have none other Gods but me.

2. Thou shalt not make to thy selfe any graven image, nor the likenesse of any thing that is in heaven above, nor in the earth beneath, nor in the water under the earth: Thou shalt not bow downe to thame, nor worship thame, for I the Lord thy God am a jealous God, and visiteth the sinnes of the fathers upon the children unto the third and fourth generation of thame that hateth me, and sheweth mercie unto thousands of thame that love me, and keep my Commandements.

3. Thou shalt not take the Name of the Lord thy God in vaine; for the Lord will not hold

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hold him guiltlesse that takes his Name in vaine.

4. Remember that thou keep holy the Sabbath day: six dayes shall thou labour, and doe all that thou hast to doe: but the seventh day is the Sabbath of the Lord thy God: in it thou shalt doe no manner of worke, thou, nor thy sonne, nor thy daughter, thy man servant, nor thy maid servant, thy cattell, nor the stranger that is within thy gates: for in six dayes the Lord made heauen and earth, the sea and all that in them is, and rested the seventh day: wherefore the Lord blessed the seventh day, & hallowed it.

5. Honour thy father and thy mother, that thy dayes may be long in the land which the Lord thy God hath giuen thee.

6. Thou shalt doe no murther.

7. Thou shalt not commit adulterie.

8. Thou shalt not steale.

9. Thou shalt not bear false witnesse against thy neighbour.

10. Thou shalt not couet thy neighbours house, thou shalt not couet thy neighbours wife, nor his servant, nor his maid, nor his ore, nor his asse, nor any thing that is his.

Lord haue mercie upon us, and write all these Lawes in our hearts, we beseech thee.

26 Qu. Which is the summe and effect of all these Commandements?

A. Thou

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A. Thou shalt loue the Lord thy God with all thy heart, mind, and strength, and thy neighbour as thy selfe.

27 Qu. Is any man able to doe these things perfectly in this life?

A. None at all.

28 Qu. Why so?

A. Because no man is perfectly sanctified in this life.

29 Qu. Yet must not we prease to a perfectione in fulfilling of Gods Commandements?

A. Doubtles, for otherwayis thair is nather faith nor feare of God in vs.

30 Qu. What must we doe then, when we breake any of these Commandements?

A. We must run to God by repentance and prayer.

31 Qu. What call ye Repentance?

A. It is the turning of my heart to God with unfained sorrow for offending his Maiesty, and a constant resolutions to amend my life.

32 Qu. What call ye prayer?

A. It is ane incalling of God in the name of Christ for things belonging to Gods glory and our necessitie.

33 Qu. Why is it not lawfull to pray to creatures, as to Angels and Saints glorified?

A. Because God hes commandit vs to worship himselfe alone.

34 Qu. Why

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Qu. Why must we pray onely in Christs name?

A. Because he is our onely Mediator and intercessor.

Qu. How then should we pray?

A. According to that patterne of prayer that our Master has set before vs, laying, when ye pray, say:

Our Father which art in heauen:

1. Hallowed be thy Name,

Thy kingdome come.

Thy will be done in earth as it is in heauen.

Give vs this day our dayly bread.

And forgive vs our trespasses, as wee forgive thame that trespass against vs.

6 And lead vs not into tentatione, but deliuer us from evil: for thine is the Kingdome, the power and the glorie, for ever and ever. Amen.

36 Qu. How are yee assured that God will heare your Prayers?

A. By Christis owne word, promising that what ever we aske the Father in his name, it shall be given vs.

37 Qu. What is the fruit of all this your religione and of serving God.

A. Hereby God is glorified, and I am saved, through Jesus Christ my Lord, to whome be everlasting praise and glorie. Amen.

Prayers

Prayers and Graces for yong Children.

Morning Prayer.

My gracious God, I blesse thee with my whole heart for thy fatherly providence watching over me this night. And beseech thee to continue thy mercy with me both this day and the whole course of my life; to the end, and in the end: that being alwayes guided by thy grace, and guarded by thy providence, I may spend this time of my pilgrimage in thy feare, and end it in thy favour, through Jesus Christ my blessed Lord and Saviour. Amen.

Evening Prayer at going to bed.

It is of thy undeserved mercy (O God) that I have passed this day in safetie without some notable inconvenience in those infinite dangers wherein I continually cast my selfe through my folly. Now I beseech thee (good Lord) let it please thee of thy gracious goodnesse protect me also this night; and grant me quiet rest in soule and body, that I may better serve thee

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thee in both, through Jesus Christ my gracious
Lord and Saviour. Amen.

I will both lay me downe in peace and sleep: for
thou Lord only makes me dwell in safetie. Ps. 4. 8.

Grace before Meat.

Psal. 145. 15.

The eyes of all wait on the (O Lord) and
thou givest thame thair meat in betw lea-
son: thou openest thy hand and satisfiest the
desire of every living thing: (good Lord) bless
us and those gifts which we receive of thy large
liberalltie, through Jesus Christ our Lord. So
be it.

Ane other.

Pardon our sinnes (O God) and give us thy
blessing with thy benefits, that they may
have strength to nourish us, and wee may have
grace to serve thee our gracious God in Jesus
Christ. Amen.

Grace after Meat.

The God of glorie and peace, who has
creatid us, redeemed us, and presently
has fed us, be blisset for now and ever. So
be it.

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Ane other.

Most mightie Lord and most mercifull
ther, we yeeld the heartie thanks for o
bodily sustentation requirring also most intire
thy gracious goodnesse so to feed vs with
food of thy heauenly grace, that we may worth
ly glorifie thy Name in this life, and after
partakers of thy euerlasting glozie, throug
Jesus Christ our Lord. So be it.

Ane other. Matth. 4. 4.

Lord thou has said it, and we beleue it, th
man liues not by bread onely, but by euery
word that proceedis out of thy mouth: Ther
fore giue vs (we beseech thee) thy blessing wi
thy benefits, that in the strength of thy ble
this life being intertaind, we may spend i
thy holy seruice, till we attain to life euerl
sting, throug Jesus Christ our Lord and one
Saviour. Amen.


To any of these or the like Graces that fall be sa
after meat, let these or the like prayers be added
for the Church and for the King, &c.

God save the Church vniuersall, God con
fort the comfortelle. Lord increase ou
faith, O Lord, for Christ thy sons sake, by me
cifull to the common wealthe whair thy Go
pell is trewly preached and barbarie granted
to the afflicted members of Christs body, &
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illuminate according to thy good pleasure all nations with the brightnesse of thy word. God save our most gracious King Charles, our Queene Marie the hopefull Prince Charles: The Lady Elizabeth, and her Princely Progenie, guide thow thair hearis (O God) by thy grace that they may rule thy people aright, to the terrour of euill doers, and the comfort of all those that feares thee and loues thy truth. Amen.

A brieft of the Commands.

HAve thou none other Gods but me.
Vnto no image bow thy knee.
Tak not the name of God in vaine.
Doe not the Sabbath day prophane. 
Honour thy father and mother to.
And sie that thou no murder doe.
From whoredome keep the pure and cleane.
And steale not though thy state be meane.
Sie that thou no false witnesse beare.
And covet not thy neighbours geare.

O Lord our soules to thee convert,
And write thy lawes into our heart.

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